



PATENT

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FAST COMPUTATION OF  
ASSOCIATIVE OPERATIONS OVER  
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DIGITAL IMAGE  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

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Dear Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The initial period for responding to the Office Action issued September 13, 2004 expired on December 13, 2004. A petition is hereby made for a third month extension of time up to and including March 14, 2005 (March 13 is a Sunday).

A check in the amount of \$570.00 is enclosed to cover a third month extension of time (an amendment was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on February 14, 2005 accompanied by a two month extension of time and check in the amount of \$450.00). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.

Respectfully submitted,

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